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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5044**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING PLANS OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT."

- Strike section 7 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
- 2 thereof:
- 3 "Sec. 7. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) On and after July 1, 2010, a
- 4 zoning commission or combined planning and zoning commission
- 5 shall not approve a petition requesting a change in the zoning
- 6 regulations or boundaries of zoning district unless the planning
- 7 commission or combined planning and zoning commission determines
- 8 that such change is consistent with the map of the plan of conservation
- 9 and development, adopted by the municipality under section 8-23 of
- 10 the general statutes, as amended by this act, showing proposed land
- 11 uses and the recommendations of such plan concerning zoning, except
- 12 as provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section and
- 13 subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section.

(b) (1) In the case of a petition to a zoning commission filed on or after July 1, 2010, requesting a change in the zoning regulations or boundaries, such zoning commission, not more than thirty-five days after receiving the petition, shall submit the petition to the planning commission for a determination of consistency with the plan of conservation and development. Not more than thirty-five days after receipt of the petition, the planning commission shall make a determination on consistency of the petition with the map of the plan showing proposed land uses and the recommendations of such plan concerning zoning and shall notify the zoning commission of such determination not more than thirty-five days thereafter. If the planning commission determines the petition is not consistent with the plan of conservation and development, the planning commission shall prepare an amendment to the plan that would enable the planning commission to determine the petition to be consistent with the amendment. Not more than thirty-five days after such determination, the amendment shall be prepared and submitted to the regional planning agency for review and comment in accordance with subsection (f) of section 8-23 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. If either the zoning commission or planning commission finds that a public hearing is in the public interest or a petition was submitted to the planning commission and signed by twenty per cent of the residents in the area impacted by the proposal or by twenty per cent of the owners of lots abutting such area, then the planning commission and the zoning commission shall jointly conduct a public hearing on the amendments not more than thirty-five days after making the finding or receiving the petition. If a public hearing is held under this subsection, the zoning commission shall not be required to hold a public hearing on the petition under section 8-3 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. Except as provided in this section, any public hearing and decision shall be in accordance with the periods of time permitted under section 8-7d of the general statutes, as amended, except that a decision shall be rendered by the planning commission within thirtyfive days of completion of the hearing and the planning commission shall notify the zoning commission of its decision not more than thirty-

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49 five days thereafter. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, 50 if the planning commission and the zoning commission jointly 51 determine, at any time after the petition is received, that such petition 52 would require changes to the plan of conservation and development 53 that would be a significant change to the policies and goals of the plan 54 of conservation and development, such planning commission shall 55 consider the proposal in accordance with the provisions of subsection 56 (f) of section 8-23 of the general statutes, as amended by this act.

(2) The planning commission may approve, deny or modify the amendment. If the planning commission approves or modifies the amendment, not less than thirty-five days after notification of such action, the zoning commission shall determine that the petition to change the zoning regulations or the boundaries of zoning districts is consistent with the plan and may approve such petition. If the planning commission denies the amendment to the plan of conservation and development, the zoning commission shall reject the petition to change the zoning regulations or the boundaries of zoning districts. In any appeal of a decision made under this subdivision, the provisions of this subdivision shall not affect the power of the Superior Court in an appropriate case (A) to order a zoning commission to change the zoning regulations or boundaries notwithstanding denial of the amendment by the planning commission, or (B) to order a planning commission to amend the plan of conservation and development to be consistent with zoning regulations and boundaries.

(c) (1) In the case of a petition to a combined planning and zoning commission filed on or after July 1, 2010, requesting a change in the zoning regulations or boundaries, such commission, not more than thirty-five days after receiving such petition, shall make a determination on consistency of the petition with the map of the plan of conservation and development showing proposed land uses and the recommendations of such plan concerning zoning. If the commission determines the petition is not consistent with the petition of conservation and development, the commission shall prepare an amendment to the plan that would enable the commission to

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determine the plan to be consistent with the amendment. Not more than thirty-five days after such determination, the amendment shall be prepared and submitted to the regional planning agency for review and comment in accordance with subsection (f) of section 8-23 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. If the commission (A) finds that a public hearing is in the public interest, or (2) a petition was submitted to the commission and signed by twenty per cent of the residents in the area impacted by the proposal or by twenty per cent of the owners of lots abutting such area, then the commission shall conduct a public hearing on the amendment not more than thirty-five days after making the finding or receiving the commission. If a public hearing is held under this subsection, the commission shall not be required to hold a public hearing on the petition under section 8-3 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, if the commission determines, at any time after the petition is received, that such petition would require changes to the plan of conservation and development that would be a significant change to the policies and goals of the plan of conservation and development, such commission shall consider the proposal in accordance with the provisions of subsection (f) of section 8-23 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. Except as provided in this section, any public hearing and decision shall be in accordance with the periods of time permitted under section 8-7d of the general statutes, as amended, except that a decision shall be rendered by the commission not more than thirty-five days after completion of the public hearing.

(2) The planning and zoning commission may approve, deny or modify the amendment. If the commission approves or modifies the amendment it shall determine that the petition to change the zoning regulations or the boundaries of zoning districts is consistent with the plan and may approve such petition. If the commission denies the amendment to the plan, the planning and zoning commission shall reject the petition requesting a change to the regulations or boundaries of zoning districts. In any appeal of a decision made under this

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- power of the Superior Court in an appropriate case to order a planning
- and zoning commission (A) to change the zoning regulations or
- 120 boundaries notwithstanding denial of the amendment by the planning
- 121 commission, or (B) to amend the plan of conservation and
- 122 development to be consistent with zoning regulations and
- 123 boundaries."
- Strike lines 575 to 596, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
- 125 following in lieu thereof:
- "Sec. 8. Subsection (b) of section 8-3 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
- 128 *passage*):"
- In line 887, strike "On or before January 1, 2005, and biennially
- thereafter, the" and insert in lieu thereof "The"
- In line 906, after "review" insert "when the state plan of conservation
- and development is submitted to such committee in accordance with
- section 16a-29 of the general statutes"
- In line 908, strike "on or before February 15, 2005, and every five
- years thereafter" and insert in lieu thereof "at the time said state plan is
- submitted to the General Assembly under section 16a-30 of the general
- 137 statutes"
- In line 917, strike "state" and insert in lieu thereof "head of a state
- department, agency or institution, with the approval of the Secretary of
- the Office of Policy and Management,"
- In line 918, strike "if the head of the department, agency"
- In line 919, strike "or institution providing such funding
- 143 determines" and insert in lieu thereof "upon determination"